

**SAN DIEGO HARBOR SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**Full Committee Meeting**

DATE: January 25, 2006  
TIME: 10:00 AM- 12:00 PM  
PLACE: **Port District of San Diego**  
**Administration Building**  
3165 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101  
*First Floor Board Room*

***Minutes***

**I. Introductions**

Voting Members: *Capt. Debra Marks, Mr. Sterling Stires, Ms. Robin Blanchfield, Mr. Jim Peugh, Capt. Corliss Nugent, Mr. Paul Libuda, Mr. Bernard Blocker, Bill Bartsch*

Non-Voting Liaisons and Visitors: *Mr. Gerry Wheaton, Ms. Cara Roderick, Mr. Drew Cheney, BMC Eric Carroll, Mr. Don Montoro, Ms. Elizabeth Studebaker, Mr. David Rodin, Dr. Walter Nordhousen, Mr. Philip Weis, Mr. Jack Prescott, Mr. Steve Walters, XXX Audie Matthews, XXX Jose Caballero, Mr. Edward Barr, Ms. Danielle Miller*

**II. Agenda Review**

Approved as Submitted

**III. Minute Review: November 16, 2005**

- a. Motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Mr. Sterling Stires. Second, Mr. Jim Peugh.

***Unanimous approval - Motion carries***

**IV. Unusual/Near Miss Incidents**

APL Panama: A grounded 880 foot container ship ran on the beach in Ensenada on Dec 24, and is still stranded there. A subsidiary of Crowley is working to pump oil off the vessel (all except 100 tons). The Navy & Coast Guard are assisting to obtain access to anchors, tugboats, and other equipment.

**V. USCG, San Diego Sector Update – Chief Eric Carroll & LTJG Jose Caballero**

- a. Chief Carroll: Update on Marine events. San Diego's Annual Parade of Lights Festival ran smoothly. There was only one boater who attempted to enter the parade without registering.
- b. Chief Carroll would like to give a waterway America presentation at next meeting. The heavy season for marine traffic is approaching, and the Coast Guard wants to be assured that the maritime community is prepared.
- c. The Final Rule on 100 gross tons notification expired last summer, but will be in the Code of Federal Regulations next year.
- d. A recent meeting was hosted by the Harbor Police to discuss fireworks, specifically *concussion grenades*. This type of firework will no longer be permitted in the City of San Diego, with the exception of the 4th of July.
- e. *Question* from Jim Peugh regarding marine event permitting by the Coast Guard: does the City, Park & Recreation Office, Harbor Police, Lifeguards, etc. consult with the Department of Environmental Health, Department of Fish & Game, and

Fish & Wildlife Services when considering an event permit application? *Answer:*  
During mating season, the least tern nesting sites are taken into consideration.

**VI. NRT6 Field Work in San Diego – Mr. Gerry Wheaton**

- a. NOAA response team (NRT6) will arrive in San Diego on March 1, and will be attending the March 22 HSC Meeting. The team will work predominantly in the South Bay & Mission Bay, and will need approximately 6 months to complete the work.
- b. NOAA has a new website to view charts & chart catalogues. Raster charts are available for free on the site, but you must have proper software to view them (i.e. Maptech). Please see [www.nauticalcharts.gov/viewer/](http://www.nauticalcharts.gov/viewer/).
- c. NOAA will continue updating charts online. All updates from Local Notice to Mariners will be updated approx every 2 weeks.

**VII. Vote Petition Change for Maritime Law Membership**

Motion to approve petition change to Maritime Law Membership (formerly Legal Counsel), per letter from OSPR, Capt. Debra Marks. Second, Mr. Jim Peugh.

*Aye – 8, Ney – 0, Abstain – 0. Motion carries.*

**Agenda was not complete due to time constraints**

**VIII. Staff and Liaison Announcements**

- a. Capt. Debra Marks noted that the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) has listed Mandatory Boat Operator Education as one of the top priorities for transportation safety in state of California.
- b. Zuniga Jetty may have its name changed soon, it is a submerged jetty. Some boaters are not aware that it is submerged, and are confused by the name “jetty”.

**IX. Next Meeting**

*Full Committee: Wednesday, March 22, 2006*

**X. Adjourn**

- a. Motion to adjourn meeting at 12:00pm, Mr. Sterling Stires. Second, Capt. Debra Marks

*Unanimous approval - Motion carries*